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PEPTIDE NUCLEIC ACID PROBES

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed from the U.S. Patent Office on December 19, 2001, Applicants submit this Amendment and Response. Enclosed is a petition and appropriate fee for a one month extension of time up to and including April 19, 2002. Also enclosed are 7 sheets of amended drawings showing the amendments in red (original Figures 2, 3, 4A, 5, 6, 13, and 16), a copy of a Substitute PTO-948 Form, Transmittal of Formal Drawings, and the formal drawings (22 sheets) for this application incorporating the amendments shown in red.

Claims 54, 57-62, 64-71, and 75-134 are pending. Claims 57-62, 64-71, 75-82, 96-98, 100-106, 110, 112, 113, and 127 are allowed; claims 54, 83-95, 99, 107-109, 111, 114, 116, 119-126, 128, 129, 131, 133, and 134 are rejected; and claims 115-118, 130, and 132 are objected to. Applicants cancel without prejudice claims 54, 83-95, 99, 107-109, 111, 114, 116, 123-126, 129, and 134, and amend claims 115, 130, and 133. Accordingly, after entry of this Amendment, claims 57-62, 64-71, 75-82, 96-98, 100-106, 110, 112, 113, 115, 117-122, 127, 128, and 130-133 remain pending for examination.